

EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 8/22/16 85 N. MARKET ST. 7PM

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Tyger, Mr. Walker, and Mr. Yokley. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers, Finance Director Traci Thompson and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the regular meeting of August 8 were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Cohen, all in favor. There were no regular monthly reports however there was a report on zoning violations and a new consumption report from the water department; those were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen seconded by Mr. Walker, all in favor. There were no agenda items.

CLERK: The Clerk reminded council there will be a public hearing held for Ord. 13-2016 (Accessory Buildings) on September 12 at 6:45 pm prior to the regular meeting.

MAYOR: NO REPORT

MANAGER: Monteleone stated that as of 8/21 the park is at \$77,158.00 and the number of swimmers is at 20,132. Monteleone stated they spoke with LSSE today in regards to the project. Water/Wastewater Superintendent John Jurjavic stated they have finished with the flow monitors and that they would hopefully have the model done by the next meeting. Mr. Elzer asked about the extra money coming into the park and Monteleone said it would go into the budget for next year. Finance Director Traci Thompson stated that along with the extra money we are also paying out more in wages and the pool is using more chlorine. Thompson stated the money goes back into the Park Fund. Mr. Todd stated there is extra activity at the RR crossings and asked if we have heard anything. Clerk Martin stated the rail road does communicate with the dispatcher but the admin office had not been notified, after speaking to the railroad she was told she would be put on the contact list for future projects.

LAW DIRECTOR: NO REPORT

STREET: NO REPORT

S/P/R/C: Mr. Cohen had no report but he stated each council member has been given four sets of evaluation forms. The employees to be evaluated are the Manager, Law Director, Finance Director and Clerk of Council. Mr. Cohen stated the completed evaluations are to be returned to the Mayor only by the next council meeting on September 12. Mayor Zuch stated that Council members are required to do the evaluations.

DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Elzer thanked John Davis and the Chamber of Commerce for putting on the Car Cruise. Elzer stated he gave out information on a proposed ordinance in reference to chickens and asked if council had any input. Mr. Cohen asked Bldg/Zoning Inspector John Simon what would help him and Simon stated having it in ordinance form with guidelines that allow chickens. Mr. Elzer directed the Law Director to draw the proposed chicken ordinance up for the next meeting.

UTILITY: Mr. Todd stated that Mr. Cohen, the Manager, John J. and himself met with MS Consultants about updating the water treatment plant (including new buildings, and updating lines going into the plant), cost and how to recoup the money. He called a Utility Committee for prior to the next regular meeting on September 12th from 6:15 to 6:45 (There is also a Public Hearing scheduled for that day at 6:45) so all of council can be briefed on the information.

FINANCE: NO REPORT

VISITORS: John Herbert, Mary Anne Tyger, Chief Josh Brown, John Simon, Rick & Karen Gorby, John Jurjavic, Dianna Elzer, Chief Kevin Dickey, John Davis, Katie White.

THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION; however in regards to the EMS Billing ordinance Mr. Cohen asked why it was an emergency. Manager Monteleone stated they originally didn't feel legislation was needed but now that it is it needs done as soon as possible

so as to begin recouping the money; we are behind and on a tight time line to be caught up by the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Cohen he received the legislation Friday, it is a lengthy contract and he hasn't had a chance to look it over to which Mr. Todd agreed. Mr. Elzer suggested taking a couple weeks to look it over, Mr. Cohen said it is a major decision and he isn't comfortable passing it tonight as emergency. Manager Monteleone said it is council's pleasure as to whether it will pass as emergency or hold off until the next meeting. Mr. Cohen stated they thought it was going to be a one year not four year contract, Monteleone said that was the first company they looked at. Chief Brown stated he is comfortable with a 4 year contract; the company has all positive reviews. Mr. Elzer asked how much the 7.5% fees would actually be and Chief Brown said it would depend on how much was brought in. Elzer also asked about the department paying all other fees such as postage, licenses and certificates but it doesn't how much those are. Mr. Cohen asked if it is a standard contract, Atty. Powers said it is and thought there was a 30 day termination clause by either party in the contract. It was decided to give the ordinance a first reading only tonight to give council time to review the contract for next meeting. Mr. Todd stated he isn't comfortable with the language on the street repair ordinance, he would like to see it more specific in reference to materials used/ backfilling/compacting so the job is done proper. Monteleone said MS Consultants gave us ODOT Specs for repair. Jurjavcic stated the water department has a permit for contractors who do w/s work that specifies what needs done to bring the road back to original condition including materials and compaction grade and how much concrete or blacktop is needed. Mr. Cohen asked Jurjavcic to give a copy of his information to the law Director so it can be incorporated into the ordinance. At this point Mr. Cohen made a motion to table Ordinance 14-2016 until the next meeting seconded by Mr. Walker, all in favor. Mr. Todd asked what property was being sold, Monteleone we get notices when their property that can be acquired by School District or the Municipality for paying off taxes owed, and this property is on Park Ave. across from the old C & L Pizza. One of the neighboring homeowners is purchasing the property for more yard space.

LEGISLATION: Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 15-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Village Manager, on behalf of council to enter into a contract with Medicount Management Inc, to provided billing services for emergency medical services.** Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 16-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Village Manager on behalf of council to enter into contract to sell real estate known as the West Half of lot number 53, in McCalla's second addition being the same premises acquired by the municipality by auditors deed recorded at Volume ORV 1943 page 439.**

ADJOURN: Mr. Cohen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

MAYOR MARGO ZUCH